

Supreme Court Declares 3000 Freemen May Vote

The attempt of the enemies of local option to deprive over 3,000 Vermont freemen of the right to vote against the Perry Act has failed. The opinion of the attorney general has been over-ruled. The non-payment of taxes will not prevent any Vermonter from voting "NO" on the Yellow Ballot if he gets his name on the check list.

Get Your Name on the Check List Without Any Delay

The time is short between now and Tuesday. Voters have been misled by the erroneous opinion of the attorney general. Thousands of voters have been told by town officials that they were not entitled to vote. The Supreme Court holds that all freemen are entitled to vote on the Perry Act who are entitled to vote on state and county matters. Go before the board of civil authority. If necessary, call for a special meeting, but make no mistake about getting your name on the check list in time to

Vote NO on the Yellow Ballot

Reports from every county in the State show a great tide of public sentiment rising against the Perry Act. The voters have become suspicious of it. They have been misled by misrepresentation and appeals to prejudice. They are rapidly making up their minds to let well enough alone. The reversal of the attorney general's opinion by the Supreme Court clinches the matter, so far as the fair-minded voter is concerned. It means the doom of Perryism, because every Vermonter believes in fighting fair. It means that the Local Option law will be retained by a larger majority than by which it was adopted.

If you believe in fair play, a square deal and a good temperance measure, get on the check list at once and vote against Prohibition, Perryism and Proscription.

How to Vote for Local Option on the Yellow Ballot

Shall an act of the General Assembly of 1915, entitled "An Act to Prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors," become a law May 1, 1916?

YES ☐ NO ☒

The voter shall make a cross (X) against the answer he desires to give.

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VERMONT LOCAL OPTION LEAGUE

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An Official Statement Announced That
There Were 870 Survivors—Ill-Fated
Cruiser Saw No Sign of Attacking
Submarine.

PARIS, March 4.—It was announced at the French ministry of marine yesterday that there were nearly 4,000 men on board the French auxiliary cruiser Provence when she was sunk in the Mediterranean Feb. 26.

It was stated that on board the Provence were the staff of the third Colonial Infantry Regiment, the third Battalion and second Company of the first Battalion, the second Machine Gun Company and one extra company.

As the French ministry of marine on Feb. 29 announced that the number of survivors of the Provence disaster was estimated at 870, it is indicated by the foregoing despatch that upward of 3,130 lives were lost.

The loss of more than 3,000 lives in the sinking of the Provence is the greatest ocean disaster of modern times. Up to the present the largest number of lives ever lost in one wreck was when the White Star Liner Titanic sank after striking an iceberg off the Newfoundland banks on April 14, 1912.

The French ministry of marine had previously given out no statement as to the number of persons on the Provence when she went down. The vessel, however, when in the Transatlantic service could carry 1,960 persons, including the crew, and it had been presumed that she was transporting troops between ports not far distant apart. She was carrying a number of men larger than her normal capacity.

The official statement announcing the sinking of the Provence said: "The French auxiliary cruiser Provence II (so designated to distinguish her from the French battleship Provence), engaged in transporting troops to Saloniki, was sunk in the Mediterranean on Feb. 26. Two hundred and ninety-six survivors have been brought to Malta and about 400 to Melos by French and British vessels summoned by wireless.

"No signs of a submarine were noticed either before or after the sinking. La Provence was armed with five canon of 14 centimeters (5½ inch), two of 57 millimeters (2¼ inch), and four of 47 millimeters."

Seven Days' Trip to Washington March 25-31. Send for circular to Principal E. B. Smith. Persons outside the high school welcome. Adv. 4-6-13-2t

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Alice Squires has resumed work in the telephone office.

C. N. Johnson began work this week as clerk in Clark's grocery store.

Fred Bastian of Bellows Falls came this morning to spend Sunday in town.

Barney S. Mead will go tomorrow to Boston to attend the automobile show.

Miss Mildred Porter went today to her home in Wardsboro to spend Sunday.

Miss Bessie Bailey of Putney is visiting in town with Mrs. Louis A. Whitney.

Mrs. Emma Niles is ill in her home on Union street with a stomach trouble.

Miss Annie Osgood went today to her home in Brookline to stay over Sunday.

J. B. Mahoney of Shelburne Falls was in town yesterday and today on business.

Harold L. Lewis of Acuteville is spending the day in town with relatives.

Carroll A. Wood will go to Boston Monday to spend a week attending the automobile show.

Mrs. Mansur of Quincy, Mass., is a guest in the home of her sister, Mrs. J. L. Stewart of Western avenue.

E. Wales went to Providence, R. I., this morning to attend a convention of the American Dancing association.

Miss Lena Walker, who has been seriously ill several weeks in her home on Spruce street, is much improved.

John Aher began a short vacation today from his work in the printing establishment of E. L. Hildreth & Co.

Miss Ethel Goodale of Springfield, Mass., is spending the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Goodale.

Mrs. E. W. Stoddard of Springfield, Mass., came yesterday and is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Wellman a few days.

Mrs. George S. Dowley went to Springfield, Mass., this morning to be a guest of Mrs. M. J. Stoddard over the week-end.

Benjamin G. Harris of Greenfield will come tonight to spend Sunday at Mrs. W. H. Gray's. Mrs. Harris will return with him Monday.

Miss Eleanor Harmon will go to Shelburne Falls today to visit her grandmother. She will go from there to Boston for a visit.

Mrs. Lewis A. Gregg of Springfield, Mass., who had been a guest since Monday of Mrs. J. W. Gregg, returned to her home today.

Miss Jeanette Jaquith, who recently went to Webster, Mass., as relief operator for the Western Union telegraph company, is ill there with grip.

There will be a dance in the Armory this evening under the auspices of Company I, V. N. G. —Adv. 4

Sporting News

NOTES.

New York sporting writers who are with the Giants at their training camp, think well of the work of Babbington, the former Brown and Twin State star.

The boxing commission of New York is going to lower the color line long enough to give Sam McVey a chance to earn \$50 by knocking Jess Willard down in training.

To read of big leaguers working out in a temperature of 80 and then to look out of the window and watch kids coasting is to enforce a realization of the variations of climate in the old U. S. A.

J. Franklin Baker has a legitimate excuse for not reporting with the Yankees. While fooling with some friends he dropped a chunk of wood on two fingers of his right hand and smashed them.

Macon, Ga., has been the training camp for the Red Sox and the Braves in years when those teams won the world's pennants. Because the Yankees are training there this spring is no guarantee they are to be the best team in the country.

Dr. Brides, one of the best football players ever turned out at Yale, who for the last two seasons has coached the Massachusetts "Aggies," is to be line coach at Yale under "Tad" Jones. He played on two of the Yale teams with Jones.

VILLA'S CAPTURE NEAR.

Reported to Have Been Located Near Chihuahua.

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Gen. Villa has been located by the Carranza forces near Chihuahua and his capture is daily expected, according to telegraphic advices which reached the Mexican embassy. The report states that Villa is at a point midway between the towns of Santa Anna and San Geronimo.

A statement issued by the embassy contains the information that Bordas, the insurrectionist leader, recently captured, is being held a prisoner at Ciudad, Chihuahua, awaiting the return of Gen. Obregon, who is enjoying his honeymoon in Sonora.

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